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UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new non-provisional applications under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 2421-0364-0 CONT

First Inventor or Application Identifier Manabu NOMURA

Title A METHOD OF FORMING A LIGHT-WEIGHT, FIBER-REINFORCED  
THERMOPLASTIC RESIN PRODUCT AND A LIGHT-WEIGHT MOLDED  
PRODUCT

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

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- 1.
- ☒
- Fee Transmittal Form (e.g. PTO/SB/17)
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- (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)

- 2.
- ☒
- Specification Total Pages 55

- 3.
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- Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets 1

- 4.
- ☒
- Oath or Declaration Total Pages 3

a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. §1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with box 15 completed)i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named  
in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §1.63(d)(2) and  
1.33(b).

- 5.
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- Incorporation By Reference (usable if box 4B is checked)
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- The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the
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- oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4B, is considered to be part
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- of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby
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- incorporated by reference therein.

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- 6.
- ☐
- Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
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- 7.
- ☐
- 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement
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- Power of Attorney
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- (when there is an assignee)
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- 8.
- ☐
- English Translation Document (if applicable)
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- 9.
- ☒
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☐
- Copies of IDS Citations
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- 10.
- ☒
- Preliminary Amendment
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- 11.
- ☒
- White Advance Serial Number Postcard
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- 12.
- ☐
- Small Entity Statement(s)
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- Statement filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired.
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- 13.
- ☐
- Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
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- (if foreign priority is claimed)
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- 14.
- ☒
- Other: Form PTO-1449; Request for Priority;
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- Photocopy of Form PCT/IB/304

15. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below:

☒ Continuation ☐ Division ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application no.: 09/125,037

Prior application information: Examiner: R. Weisberger

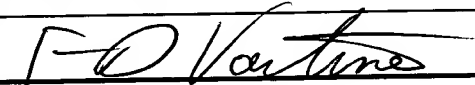
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16. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

☒ This application is a ☒ Continuation ☐ Division ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
of application U.S. Serial No. 09/125,037, filed on August 11, 1998, now pending, which was originally filed as International  
Application No. PCT/JP97/00371, filed on February 13, 1997.☐ This application claims priority of provisional application Serial No. Filed

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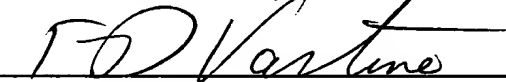
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**REQUEST FOR PRIORITY**

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SIR:

- ☒ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/125,037, filed August 11, 1998, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- ☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119 and the Patent Cooperation Treaty, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
JAPAN	8-28841	February 16, 1996
JAPAN	8-259349	September 30, 1996
JAPAN	8-277920	October 21, 1996
JAPAN	8-282215	October 24, 1996
WIPO	PCT/JP97/00371	February 13, 1997

The certified copies of the corresponding Convention Applications:

- ☐ are submitted herewith.
- ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee.
- ☐ were filed in prior U.S. Application Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number PCT/JP97/00371, filed on February 13, 1997. Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.

☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) \_\_\_\_\_ were filed in prior U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_; and

(B) Application Serial No.(s):

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